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### **Tree Pruning to Create Temporary On-Street Parking Restrictions**

Parking will be temporarily restricted on some streets as the winter tree pruning cycle begins. Tree trimming likely will be underway through mid-March, weather permitting, as the Village begins the fourth year of a cycle of pruning all trees on public property once every four years.

The 2006 trim area is bounded by Harlem Avenue, Austin Boulevard, Division Street and North Avenue, extending south to Chicago Avenue between Harlem and East Avenue.

*No Parking* signs placed in advance of the work list the specific dates and times when crews will be present and parking is restricted. Parking is restricted only during the dates and times listed on the signs. However, dates and times could change depending on the weather. Crews generally work from 7 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Village forestry staff will prune parkway trees up to 10 inches in diameter and private contractor B. Haney and Son of Lombard, working under the supervision of the Forestry Division, will prune all trees over 10 inches in diameter. Some 5,100 parkway trees are in the 2006 trim area, about 1,600 of which will be trimmed by Village crews and 3,500 trimmed by the contractor.

Trees are pruned to American National Standards Institute (ANSI) 300 standards to allow for vehicular and pedestrian clearance; remove crossing and interfering limbs, deadwood, stubs and damaged limbs; and to clear structures and signage. Trees also are inspected for defects that may require further evaluation.

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